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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
USING FIRST-PRINCIPLES  
SIMULATION TO ANALYZE A PROCESS  
PERFORMED BY A SEMICONDUCTOR  
PROCESSING TOOL

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2007, please reconsider the above-identified application as follows:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.